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SUBJECT: US-BULGARIAN FISHERIES NEGOTIATIONS

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1. OUR UNDERSTANDING OF PARA 24 REF B IS THAT WHILE WE ARE
UNABLE TO GIVE SATISFACTION IN THE AGREEMENT UNDER NEGOTIATION
TO BULGARIAN DESIRE THAT IT SHOULD PROVIDE FOR "ECONOMIC
COOPERATION" IN THE FIELD OF FISHERIES, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE
TO STATE THAT THAT SUBJECT COULD BE EXPLORED IN THE US-GOB
JOINT ECONOMIC COUNCIL.

2. WE ARE AWARE, OF COURSE, THAT THE COUNCIL IS NOT AN
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INTERGOVERNMENTAL BODY. HOWEVER, FOR COSMETIC PURPOSES, TO

GIVE THE GOB AT LEAST SOMETHING TO SHOW OUR WILLINGNESS TO TREAT THEIR DESIRE FOR SUCH COOPERATION AS CONSTRUCTIVELY AS POSSIBLE, WE WOULD SEE NO HARM AND SOME BENEFIT IS SAYING THE THE TWO GOVERNMENTS WOULD REGARD IT AS APPROPRIATE FOR THE BULGARIANS TO RAISE THIS SUBJECT IN THE COUNCIL.

3. DEPT HAS NOTED THAT BULGARIANS ARE PREPARED TO HAVE THIS SAID NOT IN THE BODY OF THE AGREEMENT ITSELF BUT IN AN AGREED MINUTE. WE BELIEVE IT WOULD NOT DETRACT FROM THE NONGOVERNMENTAL CHARACTER OF THE COUNCIL FOR US TO JOIN WITH GOB IN STATING THAT BOTH PARTIES (I.E., NOT ONLY THE GOB) REGARD IT AS "APPROPRIATE" FOR BULGARIAN ELEMENT OF THE COUNCIL TO RAISE THE MATTER IN THAT FORUM.
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